Approx: 20 Present 19 Residents, 1 Business Owner

# TOWN OF BROOKIELD SPECIAL TOWN MEETING Dec. 3, 2018 – 7:00 P.M. BROOKFIELD TOWN HALL ROOM 133

#### **Minutes**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: The Town Meeting was called to order by First Selectman Steve Dunn at 7:00pm
- 2. Pledge of allegiance was recited

#### 3. ELECTION OF MODERATOR

First Selectman Steve Dunn called for nominations from the floor for Moderator. Jean Hartnett nominated Colette Sturm. The nomination was seconded by Will Meikle. With no further nominations made, a voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.

#### 4. READING OF CALL OF THE MEETING

Moderator Sturm asked if there was a motion to waive the reading of the Call of the Meeting. Greg Dembowski made a motion to waive the reading of the Call of the Meeting. The motion was seconded by Jim Fisher. A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.

# TOWN OF BROOKFIELD WARNING: NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

The legal voters of the Town of Brookfield, and those entitled to vote therein, are hereby warned and notified to meet at **Room 133 at the Town Hall, 100 Pocono Road, on Monday, December 3, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.,** for the following purposes, to wit:

Phase III Streetscape Project. To consider and act upon a resolution authorizing (a) an appropriation of 1. \$1,300,000 to fund the costs of the planning, design, acquisition, construction and installation of streetscape improvements on beginning on Federal Road and running down Old Route 7 to and including a portion of Laurel Hill Road and related improvements including, but not limited to, sidewalks, lighting, signage and relocation of utility lines, if necessary (the "Phase III Streetscape Project") and authorizing the Town to issue general obligation bonds or notes and temporary notes in the aggregate maximum amount of not to exceed \$260,000 to finance a portion of said appropriation (the remainder of said appropriation to be financed from the proceeds of one or more state or federal grants), provided, however, that the aggregate principal amount of bond or notes and temporary notes issued by the Town for the Project shall NOT be greater twenty percent (20%) of the total state or federal grants awarded to the Town for the Phase III Streetscape Project, (b) the First Selectman and the Treasurer to determine the amount, date, interest rates, maturities (consistent with Board of Finance approval), form and other details of the bonds or notes and temporary notes and to reduce the scope of the Phase III Streetscape Project and spend the entire amount of the appropriation on such Project as so reduced in scope if such Project cannot be completed for the amount appropriated; (c) the First Selectman, Treasurer and other proper officers of the Town designated by the First Selectman and the Treasurer to apply for and accept Federal or State grants to help finance the appropriation; and (d) the First Selectman, the Treasurer and other proper officers of the Town to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the Phase III Streetscape Project.

Copies of said resolutions are on file and available for public inspection at the Office of the Brookfield Town Clerk.

Dated at Brookfield, Connecticut, this 5th day of November, 2018.

Board of Selectmen,

Stephen C. Dunn, First Selectman

Harry Shaker, Selectman

Susan D. Slater, Selectman

- 5. RESOLUTION SPECIAL APPROPRIATION OF \$1,300,000 FOR STREETSCAPE PHASE 3 AND TO AUTHORIZE BORROWING OR BONDING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$260,000
  - A. READING OF THE RESOLUTION BY TOWN ATTORNEY (WAIVE READING)

Moderator Sturm asked if there was a motion to waive the reading of the Resolution by the Town Attorney. Jim Fisher made the Motion, seconded by Hal Kurfehs. A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.

#### Item # 1.

#### **BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

- (\$1,300,000), to fund the costs of the planning, design, acquisition, construction and installation of streetscape improvements beginning on Federal Road and running down Old Route 7 to and including a portion of Laurel Hill Road and related improvements including, but not limited to, sidewalks, lighting, signage and relocation of utility lines, if necessary (the "Phase III Streetscape Project"). The appropriation may be spent for design, acquisition and materials, site improvements, survey and engineering fees, contractor and subcontractor fees, and legal fees, net interest on borrowings, and other expenses and financing costs related to the Phase III Streetscape Project.
- (b) That the Town issue its serial bonds or notes in an aggregate amount not to exceed TWO HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$260,000), to finance a portion of said appropriation for the Phase III Streetscape Project (the remainder of said appropriation to be financed from the proceeds of one or more state or federal grants), provided, however, that the aggregate principal amount of bond or notes issued by the Town for the Project shall NOT be greater twenty percent (20%) of the total state or federal grants awarded to the Town for the Phase III Streetscape Project. The bonds or notes shall be issued pursuant to Section 7-369 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended (the "General Statutes"), and any other enabling acts. The bonds or notes shall be secured by the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit of the Town. The bonds or notes may be issued in one or more series, and any series may be sold as a single issue or consolidated with any other bonds or notes of the Town. The Treasurer shall keep a record of the bonds or notes. The First Selectman and the Treasurer of the Town shall sign the bonds or notes by their manual or facsimile signatures. The bonds or notes shall bear the seal of the Town or a facsimile of the seal. The First Selectmen and the Treasurer are authorized to determine the amount, date, interest rates, maturities, form and other details of the bonds or notes; to sell the bonds or notes at public or private sale; to deliver the bonds or notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds or notes.
- (c) That the Town issue and renew its temporary notes from time to time in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds or notes for the Phase III Streetscape Project, provided the amount of temporary notes outstanding at any time shall not exceed TWO HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$260,000); provided, however, that the aggregate principal amount of such temporary notes issued by the shall NOT be greater twenty percent (20%) of the total state or federal grants awarded to the Town for the Phase III Streetscape Project. The notes shall be issued pursuant to Section 7-378 of the General Statutes, and shall be secured by the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit of the Town. The Town shall comply with the provisions of 7-378a of the General Statutes if the notes do not mature within the time permitted by said Section 7-378. The First Selectmen and the Treasurer are authorized to

determine the amounts, dates, interest rates, maturities, form, and other details of the notes; to sell the notes at public or private sale; to deliver the notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the notes.

- (d) That the Town hereby declares its official intent under Federal Income Tax Regulation Section 1.150-2 that Project costs may be paid from temporary advances of available funds and that the Town reasonably expects to reimburse any such advances from the proceeds of borrowings in an aggregate principal amount not in excess of the amount of borrowing authorized above for the Phase III Streetscape Project. The First Selectman and Treasurer are authorized to amend such declaration of official intent as they deem necessary or advisable and to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the bonds or notes authorized by this resolution if issued on a tax-exempt basis, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years.
- (e) That the First Selectman and the Treasurer are authorized to reduce the scope of the Phase III Streetscape Project and spend the entire amount of the appropriation on the Phase III Streetscape Project as so reduced in scope if the Project cannot be completed for the amount appropriated.
- (f) That the First Selectman, Treasurer and other proper officers of the Town are authorized to make representations and enter into written agreements for the benefit of holders of the bonds or notes to provide secondary market disclosure information, which agreements may include such terms as they deem advisable or appropriate in order to comply with applicable laws or rules pertaining to the sale or purchase of such bonds or notes.
- (g) That the First Selectman, Treasurer and other proper officers of the Town designated by the First Selectman and the Treasurer are authorized to apply for and accept Federal or State grants to help finance the appropriation for the Phase III Streetscape Project. Any grant proceeds shall be used to pay Project costs or principal and interest on bonds, notes or temporary notes.
- (h) That the First Selectman, the Treasurer and other proper officers of the Town are authorized to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the Phase III Streetscape Project and to issue bonds or notes to defray the aforesaid appropriation.

#### **B. PRESENTATION**

Greg Dembowski presented to the audience.

# C. DISCUSSION, QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

**Public Comment was made by:** 

Jim Fisher 12 Aramon Circle
Kathy Craton 825 Federal Road

D. With no further discussion, Moderator Sturm closed public comment.

### E. VOTE ON RESOLUTION # 1.

A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.

## 6. ADJOURNMENT

Moderator Sturm asked for a motion of adjourn. Motion by Will Meikle, seconded by Greg Dembowski. A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea DiStephan Town Clerk